

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: TBIO, TW  
SUBJECT: LAETRILE (AMYGDALIN)

REF : STATE 049069

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL OF NATIONAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (NHA) HAS TOLD EMBASSY THAT NO DRUG HAS BEEN PROVED OR APPROVED AS CANCER CURE IN TAIWAN. NHA OFFICIAL ALSO SAID THAT ALL DRUGS, TO BE USED LEGALLY, REQUIRE PRIOR APPROVAL BASED ON SAFETY AND EFFICACY EVALUATIONS. BEFORE A NEW DRUG IS ALLOWED TO BE SOLD, A GOVERNMENT CLINICAL TEST REPORT, LIST OF INGREDIENTS, GOOD MANUFACTURING PRACTICE CERTIFICATE (IF IMPORTED FROM USA), OR OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE FOR LEGAL USE ISSUED BY GOVERNMENT AUTHORITY OF USA, ENGLAND, OR W. GERMANY MUST BE PRESENTED TO NHA FOR THOROUGH REVIEW. DETAILED INFORMATION ON POSSIBLE LOCAL USES OF LAETRILE, TO INCLUDE NON-CURATIVE TREATMENT FOR EARLY-STAGE CANCERS, PLUS REQUIREMENTS FOR LEGAL USE OF THE DRUG, IF USE IS PERMITTED AT ALL, WILL FOLLOW WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE FROM NHA.  
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